

JOB POSTING

**Connecticut Mental Health Center
Community Clinician – CM 26441**

Location: 34 Park Street, New Haven, CT 06519

Program/Unit: **Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)**

Shift/Schedule/Hours: 1st Shift / Monday - Friday / 8:30am - 4:00pm/with rotation to 11am - 6:30pm approximately twice per pay period

Salary: \$53,828.00 – \$73,036.00

Posting Date: Thursday, April 2, 2015

Closing Date: Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Eligibility Requirements: This is a competitive position. Candidates must have applied for and passed the Community Clinician exam and be on the current certification list promulgated by the Department of Administrative Services for this classification. State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status may apply for lateral transfer. **Applicants will not have the opportunity to take the exam prior to the above closing date to qualify for this particular vacancy.**

Duties may include but not limited to: Will work as a member of the Assertive Community Treatment Team, providing behavioral health counseling services and supports to assist eligible adults with severe and prolonged mental illness; with or without co-occurring substance use; to achieve and maintain rehabilitative and recovery goals. Services are provided primarily in the community (minimally 60%), and are intended to address the financial, social, educational, vocational, residential and other treatment needs of each individual, with the goal of maximizing independence and community tenure. Will provide direct clinical services; primarily to implement treatment plans for an assigned caseload of clients. Will provide case management services; assisting clients in linking with community support systems and agencies, and monitoring client progress. Will perform intake and evaluation of new clients, as well as assessment of client response to treatment, in collaboration with other team members, and under the supervision of a licensed independent practitioner. Will participate in counseling sessions, and provide education and training to clients in the skills needed to perform basic activities of daily living in the community. Will monitor client adherence to medication and coordinate meetings with team psychiatrists or nurses as needed, as well as with other involved community service providers. Will provide appropriate interventions to clients in crisis, including counseling, and referrals to other service providers as necessary. Will assist in the development of treatment plans for team clients. Will lead designated team staff of lower class, to implement individualized rehabilitative skill building interventions in the community, in partnership with individuals in recovery. Will demonstrate ability to advocate effectively for clients and ensure that they receive needed services. Will document the provision of all services in clinical records, in compliance with agency, billing and accreditation standards. Will fulfill mandatory training requirements, and participate in additional job-related training opportunities. Will perform other related duties as required. The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to the right and ability of persons with severe behavioral health challenges to live in the community and to have access to the appropriate level of supports and services over time. In addition, the successful candidate will have the skills and competence to establish trusting relationships with clients, and respect for client rights and personal preferences. He or she will also demonstrate the ability to articulate the recovery-oriented; can do philosophy that is essential to the development and functioning of a strong ACT Team.

General Experience: A Bachelor's degree in a health care field and two (2) years of experience working independently using clinical case management techniques in a Behavioral Health setting.

Special Requirements: Must possess and retain a current motor vehicle operator's license.

Eligibility Requirement: State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status or candidates who possess the general and special experience and training may apply.

Note: Applicants will be selected in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion, collective bargaining unit contract language, merit employment lists and DMHAS affirmative action goals. Therefore, State employees will generally be considered before applicants from outside State service.

Application Instructions: Due to the large number of lateral transfer forms and applications received, it is extremely important to note the **Position Number (found on the posting)** on the DMHAS Lateral Transfer Request Form (**upper right-hand corner**) and at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12)

To be considered for this position:

1. **DMHAS employees who are lateral transfer candidates** (example: Community Clinician applying to a Community Clinician posting) must submit a completed DMHAS Lateral Transfer Form. Lateral Transfer Request Forms received without a position number will not be processed
2. **DMHAS employees who are promotional/demotional candidates** must submit the State of Connecticut Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). The position number must be noted at the bottom of Page One of the State of Connecticut Application (CT-HR-12).
3. **All other applicants** must complete a State Employment Application for Examination and Employment (CT-HR-12). Resumes and Curriculum Vitae can be provided as supplemental information but will only be accepted if attached to a fully completed application.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

DMHAS – Connecticut Mental Health Center

ATTN: Donna Zwilling, Human Resources Assistant, Fax: (203) 974-7637

34 Park Street, New Haven, CT 06519

Email : donna.zwilling@ct.gov

The DMHAS Lateral Transfer Request Form, State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12) and postings can be found on the DMHAS website at <http://www.ct.gov/dmhas/cwp/view.asp?a=2904&q=420408>

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The State of Connecticut and the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services are equal opportunity/affirmative action employers. Women, minorities' persons with disabilities and in recovery are encouraged to apply. (P-1)